



Summer Orchid Festival

Sydney's premiere Summer Orchid Show and Sales



Show Schedule

Venue: Ermington Community Centre,
10 River Road, Ermington

Saturday 13 December 10am - 4pm

Sunday 14 December 10am - 3pm

Show Set-up from 7.00 am Saturday 13 December

Judging commences 8:30am Saturday 13 December

Prize Presentation 2:30pm Sunday 14 December

Grand Champion

\$150 + trophy

Sponsored by Veronica Clowes

Reserve Champion

\$75 + trophy

Sponsored by Veronica Clowes

Champion *Cattleya (Laelia) purpurata*

\$50

Sponsored by Jody Cutajar

Champion *Cypripedioideae* Species or Hybrid

\$50

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Champion Other Species

\$50

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Champion Other Hybrid

\$50

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Champion Specimen

\$50

Sponsored by Jody Cutajar

Champion Seedling

\$50

Sponsored by Ken Siew

SECTION A: SPECIES (other than Cypripedioideae)

Class 1—*Cattleya (Laelia) purpurata*: (Sponsored by Chin Wong)

1(a) *Cattleya (Laelia) purpurata* (pink, tipo, rosada)

1(b) *Cattleya (Laelia) purpurata* (semi-alba)

1(c) *Cattleya (Laelia) purpurata* (flamea, striata, venosa)

1(d) *Cattleya (Laelia) purpurata* (sanguinea, rubra)

1(e) *Cattleya (Laelia) purpurata* (other)

Class 2—Species Laeliae other than purpurata (Sponsored by Orchid S.P.E.C.I.E.S. (NSW) Inc.)

Class 3—Species The America's (other than Laeliae and Cypripedioideae)

(Sponsored by Orchid S.P.E.C.I.E.S. (NSW) Inc.)

Class 4—Species Asia (other than Cypripedioideae) (Sponsored by Orchid S.P.E.C.I.E.S. (NSW) Inc.)

Class 5—Species Rest of the World (Sponsored by Orchid S.P.E.C.I.E.S. (NSW) Inc.)

SECTION B: CYPRIPEDIOIDEAE SPECIES AND HYBRIDS

Class 6—Single-flowered species (Sponsored by Paphiopedilum Society of NSW)

Class 7—Single-flowered hybrids (Sponsored by Paphiopedilum Society of NSW)

Class 8—Polyfloral species (Sponsored by Paphiopedilum Society of NSW)

Class 9—Polyfloral hybrids (Sponsored by Paphiopedilum Society of NSW)

Class 10—Any other Cypripedioideae hybrid (Sponsored by Paphiopedilum Society of NSW)

SECTION C: HYBRIDS (other than Cypripedioideae)

Class 11—Laeliae hybrids: (Sponsored by Bankstown Orchid Society)

11(a) Laeliae hybrids under 100mm

11(b) Laeliae hybrids 100mm and above

11(c) Laeliae hybrids cluster type

(minimum 5 flowers)

Class 12—Oncidinae hybrids: (Sponsored by Jan Robinson)

12(a) Oncidinae hybrids under 30 mm

12(b) Oncidinae hybrids 30 mm and above

Class 13—Vandaceous hybrids (Phalaenopsis, Vanda, etc.) (Sponsored by Jan Robinson)

Class 14—Australian/Australasian hybrids (Sponsored by Jan Robinson)

Class 15—Any other hybrid (Sponsored by Jan Robinson)

PRIZE MONEY IN SECTIONS A-C:

Prize money in all sections is: 1st Prize \$10.00 2nd Prize \$ 5.00

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. All competitive exhibits should be correctly and clearly labelled with the name of the plant.
2. Plants will be received in the Ermington Community Centre Hall on Saturday 13th December 2025 between 7:30 a.m. and 8:15 a.m. and must be ready for judging at 8:15 a.m. on that day. Exhibitors are to obtain a pre-numbered dot for each of their benching plants from the Booking-In Person at check in and affix a dot to each of their plants before placing them in the correct class. Exhibitor names must not be visible on the pots.
3. The Show Marshal and Committee reserve the right to rearrange, remove or reject any benching entry and also have the right to add or delete any Show Schedule classes as required on the morning of 13th December.
4. Entries shall be received on the basis that the Orchid Society of NSW shall take all reasonable care of the exhibits but shall not be responsible for any loss, destruction or damage to such exhibits and the exhibitors shall have no claim whatsoever against the Orchid Society of NSW.
5. All orchid plants exhibited shall have been owned and in the possession of the exhibitors for the preceding six months.
6. All exhibitors must be members of the Orchid Society of NSW or its Affiliated Societies.
7. Judging shall be by a panel of Judges nominated by the Orchid Society of NSW and shall be conducted according to the Standards of the Australian Orchid Council. The Judges' decision shall be final.
8. No prize, whether first or second place, shall be given if, in the opinion of the Judges, a prize is not warranted.
9. A Seedling shall mean the complete plant grown from seed and flowering for the First Time. Plants that have been grown on or divided prior to being exhibited on the show bench are not eligible to be shown as seedlings. For exhibition purposes, seedlings shall retain their status of seedling throughout the flowering season in which they first flowered. Mericlones are not eligible as seedlings.
10. Seedlings are to be nominated by the exhibitor at time of entry. The exhibitor will collect the identifying marker in return for the identifying location/class information. Judges will be provided with a list of seedling entries and their locations, each identified by a red 'S' on a small yellow triangle of plastic on a wire pin.
11. Exhibitors shall not remove their plants from the show bench prior to closing time of the show at 3:00 pm on Sunday 14th December 2025.
12. Exhibitors should ensure that plants are disease free and cleaned of unsightly weeds, dead and badly marked leaves and bulbs. Flower spikes should be staked, if necessary, in accordance with the Orchid Society of NSW standards, so that the flowers are shown to their best advantage without modifying the natural habit of the inflorescence. With single flowered genera e.g. Paphiopedilum, Lycaste, etc., ties or support shall be no higher than immediately below the ovary. If it is necessary to tie above the bottom flower or top branch, the judges are permitted to penalise or temporarily remove such tie for the purpose of judging.
13. Initial class places are tentative until all results are collated and finalised on Sunday.
14. Plant sales are restricted to show exhibitors and volunteers who work their assigned shift as per the volunteer roster. A 15% commission will be retained by the Orchid Society of NSW for all plants sold owned by volunteers; a 20% commission will be charged on all other plants sold including those of exhibitors who do not work a volunteer shift.
15. For plants being sold in addition to the plant name tag, a second tag (preferably a yellow wrap around tag) should be affixed to the plant or placed in the pot clearly indicating the seller' name and the price. Payment to plant sellers will be strictly based on price tags collected during sale. Sellers are not required to submit a list of sales plants.